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- A5 - Jim Smith, VK9NS, could be in Bhutan right now.
- CT - The Northern Portugal DX Group (NPDXXG) and the Radio Clube de Loule (RCL) are planning to join the IOTA Contest from Culatra island (EU-145; DIP AL-001). The station will be active some days before the Contest and the special CQ2C will probably be used. Operators: Pedro (CT1DNF), Jose (CT1EEB), Miguel (CT1ENQ), Luis (CT1ESO) Ruben (CT1ETZ), Rui (CT1FAK), Pedro (CT1FDR), Celestino (CT1ASU) and Rui (CT1ERY). QSL Manager for Europe is CT1EEB, for North America via WA1ECA.
- CY9 - Mark, N1KDS, will stay at St. Paul Island during the next year. He is currently active mainly on 28460 and he is looking for a better equipment.
- D2 - Following what published in number 217, from 7 July to 28 August, Peter, ON6TT will be active from Angola using the D2TT or D3T call. The activity will be on 10 to 160 mtrs bands, WARC included, mainly in SSB and RTTY (Peter will try to make his best to domain the CW pile-up but skeds are possible in this mode). This is not a real DX-pedition as Peter will be in Angola as Red Cross consultant and he will transmit only during spare time (usually in the mornings, evenings and weekends). Peter will activate two beacons: the first, during daytime on 28203 when he's not in the station and the second while he's sleeping, on 1821.5 KHz. Beacons will transmit the following message: V V V V V V DE <Peter's call>/B DE <Peter's call>/B Reports can be sent via Internet to ifrclad@angonet.gn.apc.org (it is necessary to write Peter's name clearly and do not use this address to ask for skeds or other information) or on-the-air directly to Peter. These reports will be used to make topband schedules. QSL via ON5NT.
- DL - The multioperator station DL0HRO will join the IOTA Contest from Usedom Island (EU-129) both in SSB and CW, aired by DL9GOA, DL8KWA DL8KWS, DL5KWA, DL3KUD and others.
- DL - Peter, DF6QN, will be active from Bornholm Isl. (EU-030) from 29 July to 11 August. Activity on IOTA frequencies (7060, 14260, 21260 KHz).
- EA - The following Spanish islands activities have been announced:
- | Date | Ref. | Call | Island | QSL via |
|------------|-------|---------|----------------|---------|
| 8/9 July | E-004 | EA3IDB | Isla de Buda | EA3ESZ |
| 9 July | E-374 | EA3BT/p | Isla el Bots | EA3FBM |
| 22/23 July | S-234 | ED7IDC | Isla de Cronio | EA7FR |
- EA5 - EA5KB and EA5BD plan to activate the Isla de Audi (DIE T-016) during August, but they are still not sure about the date. The call will be EA5BD/p with QSL via EA5OL.
- EA9 - Sunday 9 July, for two hours only during the morning, two islands

will be simultaneously activated : Isla La Ribera (DIE S-141) and Isla El Píneo (DIE S-142) using the EA9PB/p call. QSL via EA5OL.

F - From 28 to 30 July the Ile de Bendor (DIFM ME-08) will be activated using the TM5BEN call.

FO - F5JWW will be active from French Polynesia from 6 to 20 October and he wants to activate some IOTA islands (OC-066 and OC-131) on 20 mt band, in SSB and CW.

HK - Following what published in number 210, Pedro (HK3JJH) hopes to activate El Morito Island or Salamanca Island, located in the Guajira Magdalena Division group (NO-REF) starting from the 25th of July.

HZ - Mike, 7Z500 will stay in Saudi Arabia for another year. Mike has logged 27000 QSO so far, mainly in CW. QSL via W1AF.

IA5 - From 1 to 13 August, IK4GNH will be portable IA5 from Giglio Island (EU-028; IIA GR-02).

IG9 - From 9 to 11 July Alberto, IK8AUC and Lucio, IK8PGE will be active from Lampedusa Island (AF-019, IIA AG-01).

IL3 - Until 1700Z of Saturday 7 July, Vito, I3BQC will be portable IL3 from Ottogono di San Pietro (EU-131; IIA VE-43).

IL3 - Following what published in number 215, Afro (IK4HLU) and Alberto (IK4HPU), Sunday 9 July will activate the Donzella Isl (IIA RO-01). All QSL request, also for the previous Albarella activity, will be worked before the end of July.

IL7 - Following what published in number 212, from 24 to 30 July Alberto (IW8XAJ), Lucio (IK8EJN), Tonino (IK8RMB), Antonino (IK8JRD) and Davide (IK8NSR) will be portable IL7 from Tremiti archipelago (EU-050). Operations in SSB, CW and RTTY both on HF and V/U/SHF. QSL via homecalls.

IR4 - During the weekend, working the HF IARU Contest is active the IR4T station, both in SSB and CW by I4UFH, I4JMY, I4YSS, IK2QEI, IK2HOG. QSL via IK4IEE.

KP - During the weekend, if weather permits two minor islands from Puerto Rico will be activated, exactly La Muert and L'Amata.

OD - OK1EE/OD5 is active until 12 August. QSL via OK1FMR.

PY - During the IARU Contest (8-9-July) the station PROP will be active from Santa Catarina Island (SA-026), both in SSB and CW on all HF bands. QSL via PY2NY (CW) and via PP5JR (SSB).

SV5 - From 23 September to 3 October DL1TQ will be active from Karpathos Isl. (EU-001). Operation on 20 mtrs CW only.

TK - Following what reported in previous number, Serge, F6AUS, has activated, last weekend, Lavezzi Isl. (EU-164) as TK0P. During this weekend Serge plans to activate U-Toro Island (EU-164) still using the TK0P call.

UA9 - UA9LI will try to activate Sharopovy Isl (AS-089) in the mid-July.

VE1 - From 27 July to 3 August (particularly during the IOTA Contest, 29 and 30 July), the Montreal West Island Amateur Radio Club (WIARC) will activate Pictou Island, located in the Northumberland straits, between Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island (IOTA NA-154; C.Is.A. NS-05), using the special XJ1CWI call on the following frequencies: CW/SSB on 1835, 3510, 3795, 7050, 7250, 10110, 14040, 14195, 18080, 18135, 21040, 21320 KHz and 50.110, 144.300 MHz; RTTY on 7090 and 14090 KHz. Activity via satellite on AO10, AO13, RS-10, RS-12 (Tx 21220 KHz, Rx 29420 KHz). The special XJ1CWI call is to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first sailing around the world

in solo (1895-1898) by Captain Joshua Slocum, to whom the expedition is dedicated. QSL a: The West Island Amateur Radio Club Inc., P.O.Box 884, Pointe Claire/Dorval, Quebec, Canada.

VP8_ant- Steve, VP8CQC, is active from the British antarctic base Faraday (WABA G-04) and he is often QRV on 20 mtrs around 14280/290 KHz. QSL via: Steve Cuthbertson, c/o Faraday Base, Via Port Stanley, Falkland Is., U.K.

VP8_ssh- Andy, VP8CQS, from South Shetland Islands, is active on 40 meters, both in CW and SSB. He has been heard with good signals on 7004 Khz about 2100Z and on 7050 KHz about 2145Z. QSL via DL1EHH.

VP9 - Until 26 July, G3AVJ/VP9 will be active on 14133 KHz (+/- QRM) during evenings and early mornings.

VU_and _ James, 9V1YC, repors that he has received from VU2JPS, still QRV from Andaman, the licence to submit to DXCC Desk exhamination for the validation of activity. The document is the normal VU licence issued in Madras, but with the certificates about the trasmission site and inspection visa from Port Blair Andamans authorities. Meanwhile, there are many doubts about the validations of activities in CW and cross-mode SSB/CW on list, as VU2JPS passes only the report (59 or 599) without repeating the call of the station in QSO leaving that OM in the doubt if the report was really sent him and also if VU2JPS has correctly written the call in the log. Many stations have been heard repeating the call during the QSO, without receiving any kind of confirmation.

W4 - Alan, K4GLU, lives in Chincoteague Isl. (NA-083) and wants to be active particularly on WARC and in CW. Alan plans to join the IOTA Contest, mainly in CW. QSL via bureau (excepts for U.S. stations from which he prefers direct requests to his new address: Alan Merriman, P.O.Box 734, Chincoteague, VA 23336-0734, U.S.A.).

XT - Ed, XT2CH, from Burkina Faso, has been hear on 14160 KHz around 1945Z. QSL via XT2CH op. Ed, c/o American Embassy Burkina Faso, Department of State, Washington, DC 20521-2440.

3V - Krane, YT1AD reports that 3V8AA QSL (he is the manager) will be ready to be sent from the second half of July.

5A - Following what published in previous number UT2UA, UT3UY, UT3UX and UX4UM are in Lybia until 24 July, when they plan to back in Kiev. It's an official visit on a local Bureau of Communications invitation. They want to found a Radio Club then they are sure to have the licences, with the 5A3UY and 5A2UA calls. The expedition costs ws covered by the operators, using also bank loans, and now they hope to receive helps from International DX community, but only after the operations and the validation by DXCC desk; in this case QSL will be handled by INDEXA, personally by W4FRU.

9N - Satish, 9N1AA (who is now active in Pactor, Baudot and Amtor) and Richard, 9N1ARB (an American working with U.N. and who will remain in Nepal for about 5 years) want to build a club station with the late Father Moran's call, 9N1MM. They hope to activate the club station from September.

DXAC VOTATIONS -> The ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) voted 15 to 1 to suspend further study of the status on Aruba until the Netherlands and Aruba

have announced a change in the current move towards independence for Aruba originally slated for 1996. In the same ballot the DXAC voted 9 to 7 against recommending the addition of Scarborough Reef to the DXCC countries List. Those who voted against the recommendation cited membership opinion within their respective divisions. Some went on to state an opinion that the rocks that comprise the reef do not constitute islands, and for that reason no operation from the reef can be considered 'land based.' Those who voted in favor felt that Scarborough Reef meets the criteria that were in effect at the time the petition was received. Several cited membership opinion in their divisions. In membership correspondence to the entire DXAC 157 persons (72) were against adding Scarborough and 61 were in support of new country status. DXAC Chair Garth Hamilton, VE3HO, stated, "The Minimum-Size Rule was not applied to this petition. DXAC members made a judgment in accordance with the DX communities they represent."

DXCC: P5 ADDED -> The ARRL DXCC Desk announced that documentation for P5/OH2AM has been approved. In accordance with a news release dated July 16 1991, North Korea (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) will now be added to the DXCC Countries List. The DXCC Desk will accept QSL cards for this new country starting October 1, 1995. QSL cards received at the DXCC Desk before October 1, 1995 will be returned without action.

LU -> Sante, IK0HBN, reports that he is receiving many requests for Argentinian stations LU8DFH and LU8DZJ. Unfortunately IK0HBN is not the QSL manager for these stations and therefore Sante, who always sends back the requests at his own expenses, asks to verify the correct QSL routes.

F6KEQ -> Didier (F5OGL/S92AA/TR8GL), Director of the F6KEQ Radio Club, reports that the Club is handling QSL for the following stations: TZ6FIC (only for QSO after 1 January 1993), FM5FM (from 1991), TM5FER (1994) and TM0TRS (1995). Send your requests via bureau or directly to F6KEQ, P.O.Box 1307, F-53013 Laval Cedex, France. Didier reports also that Radio Club can manage QSLs also for other stations as the Club works with three 486DX computers to handle logs that can be received from DX stations in different ways (i.e. FM5FM logs are received via packet).

PA0GAM -> Gerben, PA0GAM reports that he sent all the QSL for YB3AQE via bureau. The ZA/PA0GAM QSL was printed and he starts to send them this week.

***** AMATEURS CONVENTIONS *****

July 21-23 PACIFIC NORTHWEST DX CONVENTION, c/o Renton Holiday Inn.
INFO: Mike Pickard, K7NPN, 17618 Clover Road, Bothell,
WA 98012-9127, U.S.A.

August 4-6 ARRL ROCKY MTN DIVISION CONVENTION, c/o Jackson Hole, WY.
INFO: Warren (Rev) Morton, 1341 Trojan Drive, Casper,
WY 82609, U.S.A.

August 25-26 NEW ORLEANS DX CONVENTION, c/o Royal Sonesta Hotel.
INFO: "Wondy" Wondergem, K5KR, 600 Smith Drive, Metairie,
LA 70005-2918, U.S.A.

September 8-10 ... W9-DXCC CONVENTION, c/o Holiday Inn "Holidome".
INFO: Michael Zeug, K9EC, 9N317 Corron Road, Elgin,
IL 60123, U.S.A.

September 9-10 ... RSGB 1995 INTL. HF CONV., c/o Beaumont Conference Centre.
INFO: Marcia Brimson, RSGB Hq, Lambda House, Cranborne
Road, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, EN6 3JE, England.

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